



SAN BRUNO CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

May 13, 2003

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT:

The San Bruno City Council met in Regular Session at the San Bruno Senior Center at 1555 Crystal Springs Road. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Vice Mayor Pallas thanked the **San Bruno Garden Club** for the lovely floral arrangement they provided for the meeting tonight.

ROLL CALL:

Recorded by City Clerk Simon, present were Vice Mayor Pallas presiding; Councilmembers Ibarra, O'Connell, Ruane.

ABSENT: Mayor Franzella (with notice)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Vice Mayor Pallas asked **City Clerk Ed Simon** to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROCLAMATIONS:

Vice Mayor Pallas presented **Public Works Director Scott Munns** with a proclamation declaring the week of May 18-24, 2003, as **Public Work Week** in San Bruno. Director Munns thanked the council for this recognition.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Vice Mayor Pallas reported that the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony took place Monday May 12th, 2003 to re-open the recently renovated **City Hall** at 567 El Camino Real. He invited everyone to come and see the beautiful outcome of the project.

Vice Mayor Pallas announced that the **63rd Annual Posy Parade** will be Sunday June 1st. This years theme is International Cultures with an emphasis on our sister city, Narita Japan. The San Bruno Lions Club sponsors this event, member Harry Costa elaborated.

Councilmember O'Connell announced that there will be an appearance made by author **Kevin Sweeney** on Wednesday, May 21st at 7:30 pm, at the San Bruno Senior Center. Mr. Sweeney grew up in San Bruno and has written a book about it.

REVIEW OF AGENDA:

Vice Mayor Pallas moved **Item 12a** relating to an earlier position on the agenda, it will follow Public Hearings. **City Attorney Pamela Thompson** requested that additional wording be included in **Item 6a**, authorizing the mayor or another Councilmember to send a letter dealing with the **San Mateo County Mosquito Abatement District**. City Attorney Thompson advised the council on how to proceed in this instance. **M/S Ibarra/O'Connell, to add this wording to the agenda item. Passed unanimously.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Adjourned and regular Council Meetings of April 22, 2003. **Councilmember O’Connell requested that a correction to Item 12 under Oral Updates be made to read that the Facilities Needs Assessment Ad Hoc Committee members are Ruane and O’Connell. Minutes stand approved with the correction.**

CONSENT CALENDAR:

- a. Approve: Payroll** of April 25, 2003.
- b. Approve: Accounts Payable** of April 14th & 21st 2003. (Council packets only, copy is available for review at the City Clerk’s office)
- c. Accept:** Notification to the City Council from the Fire Department, as required by the State Fire Marshal, on the status of the **annual fire/life safety inspection** of the Police facility.
- d. File:** Proclamation honoring **Ursula Hackenberg**, the honoree for **Woman of Distinction Award**, given by the Soroptimist International Club of Millbrae and San Bruno at its Annual Awards Luncheon May 1, 2003.
- e. Approve:** Out of State travel for training at the National Fire Academy Emmitsburg, Maryland for **Division Chief George Devendorf**. The National Fire Academy will reimburse directly for all costs except meals.
- f. Approve:** Waiver of building permit fee on housing rehabilitation for low income owner at 2441 Eucalyptus Way, in conjunction with San Mateo County Office of Housing. The **waived building fees** equal approximately \$2,000. This action is recommended by Mark Sullivan, Housing and Redevelopment Manager.

Councilmember Ibarra pulled Item 4d. Councilmember O’Connell pulled Item 4f. M/S Ruane/Ibarra, to approve the remainder of the calendar. Passed unanimously.

Item 4d: Councilmember Ibarra attended the luncheon, so he gave a brief report.

M/S Ibarra/ Ruane, to accept Item 4d. Passed unanimously.

Item 4f: Councilmember O’Connell further pointed out the qualities of this program.

M/S O’Connell/Ruane, to approve Item 4f. Passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARINGS (Notices were published, posted and mailed):

a. Introduction and adoption of an ordinance amending the San Bruno Zoning Ordinance to establish zoning regulations and development standards for **second units** within existing residential zones as mandated by California State Assembly Bill 1866. **Associate Planner Grant Wilson** went over key points in this ordinance and suggested that under the Development Standards, reference to Ordinance 1520 be removed leaving just the reference to chapter 12.200 which was drafted as a result of Ordinance 1520. In the event chapter 12.200 is revised in the future, this ordinance refers to that specifically.

Rose Urbach, Euclid Ave., questioned, how is the General Plan affected, if this doubles the current 8 units per acre, also about tandem parking in relation to 5’ setback.

Scott Buschman, Claremont Dr., commended the council for putting guidelines into place before the legislation is passed, avoiding negative impacts such as over building.

M/S Ibarra/O’Connell, to close the Public Hearing. Passed unanimously.

M/S Ruane/Ibarra, to waive the first reading. Passed unanimously.

Councilmember Ibarra introduced Ordinance 1682 for adoption. Passed unanimously by a roll call vote. Absent: Franzella.

b. City Council Solid Waste Ad Hoc Committee (Franzella/Ruane) recommended **Council approval** of a proposed garbage rate adjustment.

(1.) The ordinance containing the proposed rates is included. San Bruno Garbage Company has requested a **rate increase of 2.31 %** (which includes a 0.5% increase in AB939 fee) to go into effect on July 1, 2003. Increase amounts to \$.40 for 32-gallon residential totter or total of \$17.62 monthly. **Director of Finance Jim O’Leary** gave an overview of the proposed rates.

Carolyn Gray, Fairmont Dr., commented on contradictions between the design of the recycling program and the constant disregard practiced by her neighbors and the San Bruno Garbage crews on collection day.

M/S Ibarra/O’Connell, to close the Public Hearing. Passed unanimously.

General Manager of San Bruno Garbage, Mario Puccinelli addressed Ms. Gray’s concerns and gave further background information on the recycling program.

M/S Ruane/O’Connell, to waive the first reading. Passed unanimously.

Councilmember Ruane introduced Ordinance 1683 for adoption. Passed unanimously by a roll call vote. Absent: Franzella.

(2.) Proposed resolution of the San Bruno City Council, which approves an amendment to the **franchise agreement** with San Bruno Garbage Company to increase the AB939 fee from 0.5% to 1.0% for recycling activities.

Councilmember Ruane introduced Resolution 2003-37 for adoption. Passed unanimously by a roll call vote. Absent: Franzella.

Notice of upcoming Public Hearing

May 27, 2003, to update and add fees to the 2003-04 **Master Fee Schedule**; and, an upcoming budget **and rate review** on May 27, 2003 for San Bruno Cable TV.

The following item was moved from a later position in the agenda.

12a. Council Ad Hoc Fireworks Stands Committee (Franzella/Pallas) recommended Council grant **Fireworks Stand permits** to 12 Grandfathered and 6 Lottery applicants. There was no need for a lottery this year since the total permits do not exceed the maximum of 18 allowed. Approval was based upon finding that they meet requirements of Resolution 2002-11 and any other applicable laws, rules, regulations, and orders. Included was a copy of regulations pertaining to fireworks stands updated on April 21, 2003. **Acting Fire Chief Daniel J. Voreyer** noted a change to the regulations and made a few other points relating safety in the fireworks stands.

M/S Ruane/O’Connell, to grant the fireworks stand permits. Passed unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mayor Franzella requested that the following item be deferred to May 27th, so that a full council will be present to make the appointments.

- a. City Clerk Simon** recommends Council consider appointments to the open positions on Boards, Committees, and Commissions. Applicants were interviewed April 22, 2003, there is one vacancy on each of the following rosters: **Personnel Board, Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee**, and a youth representative for the **Parks & Recreation Commission**.

- b. Councilmember Ibarra** provided an update on negotiations for property tax transfer related to annexation by the San Mateo County **Mosquito Abatement District**. Letter dated April 18, 2003, from Robert Gay, District Manager, responding to Finance Director's recommendation was included. Also included was a letter from Robert Gay dated May 2, 2003, providing sources of information on the West Nile virus and locations of mosquito breeding grounds in the present abatement district.

Robert Riechel, 7th Ave., asked if the County has indicated where mosquitoes may be currently breeding in our area, and if we don't join the abatement district, how will the citizens get aid with mosquito problems.

Councilmember Ibarra answered that we don't have knowledge of prominent breeding grounds and is confident that there is assistance available. However, at this time, definite plans have not been made clear to the City.

M/S Ruane/Ibarra, to send a letter to the County confirming that we will not join the district and do not agree to the parcel tax or property tax transfer. Passed unanimously.

CALL FOR, PRESENTATION OF BIDS, and AWARD OF CONTRACTS:

Public Works Director Munns recommended that the City Council authorize the City Manager to execute a **contract amendment** to the existing consultant design agreement with Villalobos & Associates Consulting Engineers, in an increased amount not-to-exceed \$21,493. The additional design services are required for expansion of project scope of the Phase II Belle Air Water System Replacement Project and the Lomita Outfall Trunk Sewer Phase II.

M/S Ruane/Ibarra, to approve the contract amendment. Passed unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- a.** Letter from Kim Kassner, **President of SkyPark Inc.**, dated May 2, 2003 requesting City Council consider a parking tax rate reduction for his business.

City Manager Hedley recommended that this letter be referred to the Budget Ad Hoc Committee (Franzella/Ruane) to review, and return to the Council with a recommendation.

- b.** Fax dated May 2, 2003, from Harry Costa, representing Downtown Merchants Association, San Bruno Lions Club, Chamber of Commerce, and concerned citizens to the San Bruno City Council detailing plans for a proposed use of the City property at 470 San Mateo Avenue (Former Wells Fargo Bank site). **Mr. Costa** presented the group's most recent favored plan. Which is to include the T&R Restaurant site in this project thus enlarging the property allowing a needed Community Center.

Jim Kelly, Oak Ave., there are many clubs and service groups in San Bruno that currently use the Fireman's Hall for meetings who were not notified of the proposal. This is inappropriate because the plan hinges on funds from the sale of the Fireman's Hall.

Robert Riechel, 7th Ave., noted, the T&R site wasn't an option in the original proposal. **Rose Urbach, Euclid Ave.**, supports the plan Harry Costa outlined.

Randall Wong, President, Chamber of Commerce, the chamber supports the proposal as an ideal place for community and service organizations to hold events. It would also increase the economic and community well being of San Bruno.

Mike Palombella, Never Too Latte, many merchants support the new plan, the earlier plan of it being an open space and an alley way would serve no value or purpose.

Dick York, San Bruno Lions, currently, the Lions and many other clubs are forced to meet outside of San Bruno. The Lions would be interested in a grant partnership with the City to bring this project to fruition. Carefully planned, it would enhance the community.

Councilmember O’Connell stated that she and **Councilmember Ruane** make up the **Facility Needs Assessment Needs Committee**, and assured that they will give all comments and suggestions careful consideration before returning to the Council with a recommendation in the future.

STAFF REPORTS: None

REPORT OF CITY ATTORNEY - RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES: None

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA: No one wished to speak.

REPORT OF COMMISSIONS, BOARDS, & COMMITTEES:

Item 12a was moved to an earlier position in the agenda, it follows Public Hearings.

b. Facilities Needs Assessment Ad Hoc Committee (Ruane/O’Connell) report on discussions with San Bruno Park School District representatives for additional library parking on the 500 block of Linden Avenue.

Councilmember Ruane reported that a formal meeting was held requesting the easement for the additional parking. Unfortunately, it was voted down by the School Board. Councilmember Ruane is optimistic that the door may still be open on this issue.

c. The Traffic Safety and Parking Committee recommends that the City Council adopt a resolution approving the **installation of STOP signs** at the following intersections along Pine Street and Angus Avenue in the Belle Air neighborhood:

- * Pine and Third (Two STOP signs, for each travel direction on Third)
- *Pine and Fourth (Two STOP signs, for each travel direction on Fourth)
- *Pine and Sixth (Two STOP signs, for each travel direction on Sixth)
- *Pine and Seventh (One STOP sign for the Pine leg)
- *Angus and Second (Two STOP signs, for each travel direction on Second)
- *Angus and Fourth (Two STOP signs, for each travel direction on Fourth) Angus and Sixth (Three STOP signs, for each leg of the three-way intersection).

Public Works Deputy Director Merrill Buck gave an overview of the resolution. Questions were raised relating to effectiveness in some of the locations in the resolution.

Rose Urbach, Euclid Ave., urged the council to consider putting STOP signs at Huntington Ave. at Euclid Ave. and San Bruno Ave. at Shelter Creek Lane.

Councilmember Ibarra introduced Resolution 2003-38 for adoption, with the provision that after six months of service, the Traffic Safety and Parking Committee shall review the impacts on traffic circulation and safety associated with the additional STOP signs approved herein, and report back to the City Council with a report by the Public Works Director within one month of completing its review and in no case later than the regularly scheduled meeting of March 23, 2004. Report to include community input and any further recommendations that the Traffic Safety and parking Committee deems warranted. Passed unanimously by a roll call vote. Absent: Franzella.

Oral Updates:

The **Beautification Task Force (O’Connell)** report on the 5th Annual Operation Clean Sweep Event held May 3, 2003 was deferred to the May 27th meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Study Session scheduling: Joint session between the City Council and Planning Commission on Tuesday, May 20, 2003, at 5:30 pm at the San Bruno Senior Center.

CLOSED SESSION:

City Attorney Pamela Thompson requested a closed session on potential litigation regarding 2510 Cottonwood. (Govt Code Sec.54956.9 (b)(1)).

Recessed into a Closed Session at 9:00 pm.

Reconvened at 9:15 pm.

Vice Mayor Pallas announced that direction had been given to the City Attorney on how to proceed.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business to transact, the meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm to a joint **“Study Session”** with the City Council and Planning Commission on **Tuesday May 20, 2003**, at 5:30 p.m. San Bruno Senior Center. (Not televised) The next regular meeting is scheduled for May 27, 2003 at 7:00 pm., at the San Bruno Senior Center.

The foregoing minutes were
approved by the San Bruno
City Council at a regular meeting
held on May 27, 2003.

Respectfully submitted for approval,

Ed Simon, City Clerk

Chris Pallas, Vice Mayor